

Before I conclude I must state in clear terms the Conclusion ideal my Government wishes to pursue. That ideal is a Socialist pattern of society which is free, to the extent possible, from man-made inequalities between the haves and the have-nots. Illiteracy and ill health have to be wiped out. Every one must not only be able to secure gainful employment but also work earnestly for the good of the country. That society must not be merely a society which promotes physical well-being but also provide opportunity for moral and spiritual development. The Sarvodaya ideal and the Socialist pattern of society must harmonise into a synthesis. Our present ideas of society, institutions and individual responsibility must so change as to ensure the speedy achievement of this declared ideal.

I have great pleasure in wishing you success in your deliberations.

Report by the Speaker to the Assembly of His Highness the Maharaja's Address.

Mr. SPEAKER.—As required by Rule 14 (2) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, I report that His Highness the Maharaja was pleased to address the Members of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council assembled together on the 20th instant and I place a copy of the Address on the Table of the House.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. SPEAKER.—Questions 39, 279, 280, 281, 398 may be taken up together.

Formation of Dakshina Pradesh (Chief Ministers' meeting with the Prime Minister).

Q.—39. Sri S. SRINIVASA IYENGAR (T.-Narasipur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether a meeting of the Chief Ministers of Madras, Mysore and Travancore-Cochin had been arranged some time in the month of February 1956;

(b) if so, what transpired at the meeting?

A.—Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Chief Minister).—

(a) There was no formal meeting. There were only informal consultations.

(b) Does not arise.